SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 19, 2006

FORMER RIDGEVILLE POLICE OFFICER ARRESTED

A former Ridgeville Police Officer was arrested by SLED agents on Monday, June 19, 2006, and charged with **Breach of Trust and Misconduct in Office.**

The former officer is identified as **Christopher John Nuss**, 31, of 104 Lilac Drive, Summerville, South Carolina. He was arrested on Monday afternoon at approximately 2:30 p.m. and was booked at the Dorchester County Detention Center.

The arrest is a result of an investigation conducted by SLED at the request of the Town of Ridgeville. The case will be prosecuted by the 1st Circuit Solicitor's Office.

* Warrant Attached.

 ARREST WARRANT	
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	_
X County/ Municipality of DORCHESTER	

THE STATE against

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SUMMERVILLE	SC	29483	1-0000
Phone:	SSN		
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DORCHESTER CITY OF

AFFIDAVIT

OCA# 31060027 INV.

Personally appeared before me, a magistrate of this County, one S/A DAVID WILLIAMS (SLED) who first being duly sworn, deposes and says that (name of the defendant) CHRISTOPHER JOHN NUSS

did within this County and State between the dates of April 15- June 15, 2005, violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE BREACH OF TRUST VIOLATION OF SECTION 16-13-230

The affiant states there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime(s) set forth, and that such probable cause is based on the following facts:

Between April 15, 2005 and June 15, 2005, the above named defendant, Christopher John Nuss, did knowingly and willfully take, with the intent to permentantly deprive the Ridgeville Police Department of the following items: four firearms and a portable Global Positioning System belonging to the Ridgeville Police Department, which were entrusted to him as an officer of the Ridgeville Police Department. The defendant also did knowingly and willfully create a fraudulent Ridgeville Police Department equipment inventory, which he presented to Mayor James Williams as being true and factual. The items are further described as a Glock Model 27, 40 caliber pistol, serial # CTW623US, as a Ruger Model P89, 9 mm, serial # 310-64735, a Stevens Model 77E, 12 gauge, serial # 48543, and a Garmin Model eTrex Legend GPS, serial # 85104202. The defendant, Christopher John Nuss, gave a statement admitting to the above. Nuss was terminiated from the Ridgeville Police Department in January 2006 and did not return the items upon his seperation.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me	Agent David Williams
this 15 day of June 2006.	(AFFIAN'T)
	Address: 6435 Fain Street, Suite A
oral S.//w	N. Charleston, S.C
Signature of Judge	Phone: (843) 569-7593

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on	Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said
	defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.
Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer	Sworn to and subscribed before me)
	on 6-15-06) hudge's Address 212 Deming Way, Box 10
RETURN WARRANT TO:	C. 20492-0000
	Signature of Issuing Judge) Judge's Telephone (843)832-0370
	Judge Code: 007 Issuing Court: X Magistrate Municipal Circuit

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

AFFIDAVIT

COUNTY OF DORCHESTER CITY OF

OCA# 31060027

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did within this County and State between April 15, 2005 and June 15, 2005, violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE
Misconduct in Office
VIOLATION OF SECTION
COMMON LAW

The affiant states there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime(s) set forth, and that such probable cause is based on the following facts:

That on or about April 15, 2005 and June 15, 2005, while employed as a Police Officer at the Ridgeville Police Department, located in the City of Ridgeville, County of Dorcherster, State of South Carolina, the aforesaid, one Christopher John Nuss did commit the offense of Misconduct in Office, in violation of the Common Law, of South Carolina. In that he did willfully and unlawfully commit Misconduct in Office while on dutty and while employed as a police officer by the Ridgeville Police Department fail to properly and faithfully discharge the duties imposed on him by law. The facts to establish the aforesaid are that between the above dates and at the above location, the defendant did Between April 15, 2005 and June 15, 2005, the above named defendant, Christophen John Nuss, did knowingly and willfully take, with the intent to permentantly deprive the Ridgeville Prolice Department of the following items: four firearms and a portable Global Positioning System belonging to the Ridgeville Police Department The defendant also did knowingly and willfully create a fraudulent Ridgewille Podice Department equipment inventory, which he presented to Mayor James Williams as being true and factual. The items are further described as a Glock Model 27, 40 caliber pistol, serial # CTW623US, as a Ruger Model P89, 9 mam, serial # 310-64735, a Stevens Model 77E, 12 gauge, serial # 48391, a Stevens Model 77E, 12 gauge, serial # 48543, and a Garmin Model eTrex Legend GPS, serial # 85104202. The defendant, Christopher John Nuss, gave a statement admitting to the above. Nuss was terminiated from the Ridgeville Police Department in January 2006 and did not return the items upon his seperation.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me

this/5 day of June, 2006.

(AFFIANT)

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Agent David Wiilliams

North Charleston, SC

Phone: (843) 569-7593

Signature of Judge